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In Manhattan and the Bronx

Brooklyn blogger's DKNY dispute to benefit YMCA

► When DKNY used his photos without permission, a street photographer turned the controversy into a fundraiser for the Bed-Stuy YMCA ► DKNY donates \$25,000 ► He collects more than \$75,000 through crowdfunding for the beleaguered YMCA

When New York street photographer Brandon Stanton was tipped off last week that clothing retailer DKNY had used his photos without his permission, everyone he asked gave him the same advice: "Lawyer up."

"But I imagined all the bad energy that would come into my life if I did," said Stanton, whose popular Humans of New York blog has more than half a million followers on social media. "Creating enemies, depositions, meeting with lawyers."

So he chose to turn the incident into a positive thing for a cause close to his heart. He publicly asked DKNY to donate \$100,000 to the YMCA in Bedford-Stuyvesant.

Humans of New York's devoted followers spread the word across the Internet. Within hours, the retailer had apologized for what it said was a mistake and promised to donate \$25,000 in Stanton's name.

As marketing director for the YMCA, Sonia Atherly-Meertins was thrilled and assumed that would be the end of it. But



► Brandon Stanton raise more than \$100,000 for the Bedford-Stuyvesant YMCA.

Humans of New York

Brandon Stanton started Humans of New York in 2010 with the idea of taking the photographs of 10,000 New Yorkers. After a few months, he began collecting quotes and snippets from the subjects that he focused. More than 300,000 people follow him on Facebook and Tumblr.



the next morning, the phone rang. It was Stanton. "He told me, 'I couldn't sleep last night.' I asked him if he was all right and he said, 'I want to do more.'"

Over the next 72 hours, \$103,710 poured in via a crowdfunding website Stanton set up. The fundraiser ended Saturday.

"It's just such a blessing," Atherly-Meertins said at the YMCA. "We're set to make this a really cool summer for a lot of kids who might not have been

able to come otherwise."

Weekends are usually busy at the facility, which staff, parents and kids alike describe as a second home — one that serves as a school, fitness center and child care provider.

"It's a shelter, it's a haven and it's a school. I've seen the same kids every day coming out of karate lessons, learning to dance," said Stanton, who is also a member.

Saturday also happened to be an open house for parents considering sending their children to camp. Brightly colored balloons with the YMCA's distinctive "Y" decorated tables where parents could learn about Sports, Creative or Swim camps.

In light of the amount of money raised, Stanton is thrilled at the chance to send more children to camp outside the city.

"A lot of the kids, their mobility is very limited which makes it difficult to expand your horizons," he said. "Let 'em see some grass for a week."

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In the news

Foul odor leads to decaying Harlem corpse

Police discovered a decomposing body after responding to a foul odor coming from a Harlem apartment on Saturday night.

The unidentified victim was found stuffed inside a container at the apartment, located on Seventh Avenue near the corner of 140th Street, according to cops.

No cause of death had been determined.

■ JESSE GREENSPAN

In the news



Birth-control bait tested on rodents by MTA

The MTA is poised to go after rats where it hurts them the most.

With traps and poisons proving insufficient, the transit authority confirmed that it will test out a birth-control bait designed to sterilize the ubiquitous rodents.

"We want to find out if this will work," said Judie Glave, MTA spokeswoman. "It's not going in a subway station. It's going to be in a non-public space within the system."

■ METRO/JG

Young couple dies on way to hospital, but baby lives

A young couple that was on the way to the hospital to deliver their first child were killed in a car crash yesterday, but the baby managed to survive.

A little after midnight on Sunday, a car crash near the Brooklyn Navy Yard resulted in the death of Nachman and Raizy Glauber, who were expecting their first child. The baby was delivered at the hospital and survived.

The woman was 24 weeks pregnant, police said. Police believe that the couple was on their way to Long Island College Hospital for an OB/GYN



► Raizy and Nachman Glauber pose on their wedding day.

check-up. Both parents were 21 years old.

The accident occurred when a grey 2010 BMW sedan hit the driver's side of a black livery cab. According to a law

enforcement source, witnesses said the BMW was speeding. Raizy Glauber in the backseat of the cab was thrown from the vehicle on impact, police said. She was brought to

Bellevue, and her husband was brought to Beth Israel. They were both pronounced dead on arrival. The occupants of the BMW reportedly jumped out of their car and ran away. Witnesses said they were a male and female. The driver of the livery cab, 32-year-old Pedro Nunez, was taken to Bellevue Hospital with minor injuries to his chest from the air bag and is in stable condition.

Doctors at Bellevue were able to safely deliver the baby by Caesarean section post-mortem.

■ DANIELLE TCHOLAKIAN

Dangerous intersection?

Police sources noted that there is a stop sign on Wilson Street at Kent Avenue, but none on Kent Avenue. The cab was traveling westbound on Wilson Street, and the BMW was traveling northbound on Kent Avenue. Councilman Stephen Levin is calling on the Department of Transportation to put a traffic signal at that intersection to slow traffic on Kent Avenue.

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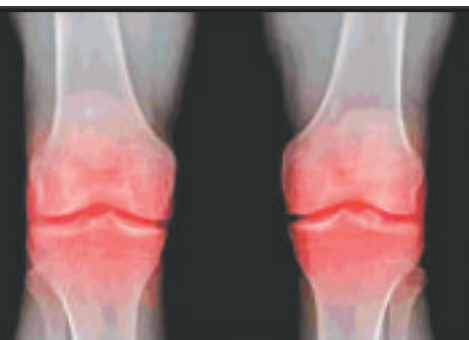
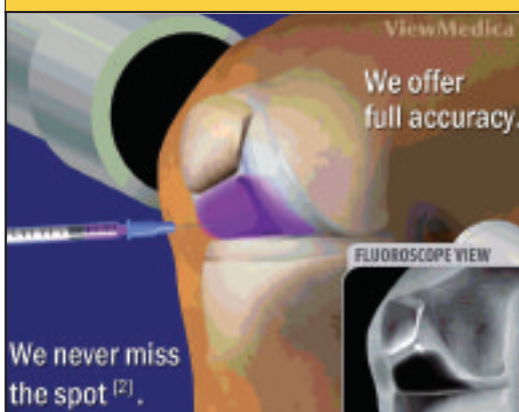
Most doctors today do one of three things:

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News in pictures

Sandy haunts Rockaways St. Patrick's Day Parade

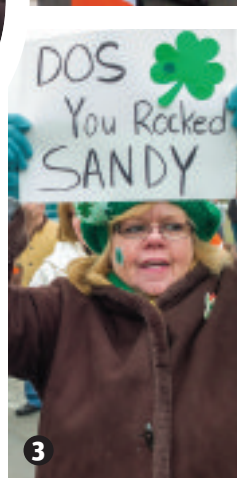
Revelers turned out for the annual Rockaways St. Patrick's Day parade on March 2 in the Rockaways, Queens. Echoes of Sandy could be felt at the parade as some of parade goers booed Mayor Michael Bloomberg for his response to Superstorm Sandy, while others cheered city workers.

1 Council Speaker Christine Quinn and Mayor Michael Bloomberg took part in the parade.

2 A girl displays her Irish pride.

3 Rockaway residents hold up signs supporting the Department of Sanitation's response to Sandy.

4 An Irish band marched in the neighborhood parade. ● METRO



KEVIN C. DOWNS/METRO

News in brief

City launches teen pregnancy ad campaign

The city is launching a new ad campaign to "further reduce" teen pregnancy, featuring babies and delivering alarming statements about the difficulties of parenting.

One ad shows a little girl looking concerned, and reads: "Honestly, Mom ... chances are he won't stay with you. What happens to me?"

The ad further notes

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that 90 percent of teen parents don't marry each other. Another ad also emphasizes marriage as a requisite for good parenting.

The posters will be displayed in subway cars and on bus shelters around the city.

● DANIELLE TCHOLAKIAN

News in brief

Poll: Majority of NYC opposes stop-and-frisk

A majority of New Yorkers disapprove of the NYPD's controversial stop-and-frisk practice and would be less likely to vote for a mayoral candidate who supports the policy, a poll from Quinnipiac University

55%
Of voters disapprove

has found. The poll showed that 55 percent of voters disapproved of stop-and-frisk, which has been criticized for overwhelmingly targeting minorities since it was introduced in 2002. ● EMILY JOHNSON



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Female pols pushing Quinn for sick-day vote

WILLIAM ALATRISTE

Five days home sick from work with a paycheck — that is what might stand between Council Speaker Christine Quinn and a fleet of prominent female politicians' support.

Local politicians gathered recently to target Quinn, who hopes to replace Michael Bloomberg as mayor, pushing her to bring the paid-sick-day bill to City Council for a vote.

The legislation would guarantee five paid sick days each year for workers, which could be used if sick or caring for a sick family member. It would only apply to businesses with at least five employees.

Quinn has not yet called for a vote on the bill, which is supported by many council members.

"I believe providing paid sick leave to hard-working families is a worthy and admirable goal, one I would like to make available for all," she said in a statement. "However, with the current state of the economy and so many businesses struggling to stay afloat, I do not believe it would be wise to implement this policy, in this way, at this time."

Several female pols, from Congresswoman



► Council Speaker Christine Quinn is under fire for not bringing a paid-sick-leave bill to a vote.

Quoted

"The facts are enough to make you sick: America is the only industrialized nation that fails to guarantee paid sick leave." REP. CAROLYN MALONEY

Carolyn Maloney to Quinn's fellow council members, gave various reasons why paid sick leave is needed, including that it's important for mothers so they can take time off to care for their sick children.

"As a mother of two and an elected official, I know how important it is to have paid sick days," Councilwoman Elizabeth

Crowley said.

The critical blast arrives after famed feminist Gloria Steinem said that she would not endorse Quinn without a vote.

"Making life fairer for all women seems more important than breaking a barrier for one woman," Steinem said.

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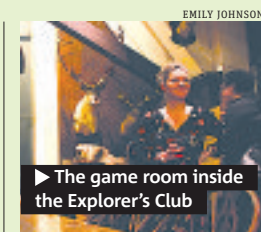
News in brief

Explorers Club annual expo

Some might say entering the Explorers Club on East 70th Street feels like stepping into an Indiana Jones movie or into the mind of Ernest Hemingway.

A massive globe that was used to plan the famed Kon-Tiki expedition in 1947 is the downstairs centerpiece. A few levels up is a trophy room that contains books on Egypt commissioned by Napoleon, a narwhal horn and pelts of animals shot by Teddy Roosevelt.

All this was on display at Exploration Expo 2013 this past Friday as photographers, scientists and expedition leaders opened its hallowed halls to the public to rub shoulders and talk



► The game room inside the Explorer's Club

shop. The club was founded in 1904 to promote the scientific exploration of land, sea, air and space.

The club's annual dinner is scheduled for March 16 at the Waldorf Astoria and will be attended by luminaries such as John Glenn and James Cameron.

● EMILY JOHNSON

Straphangers 'swipe back' at the MTA

Angry straphangers have launched a campaign in an attempt to "swipe back" at the MTA for raising fares.

The "No Fare Hikes" campaign is encouraging riders with unlimited MetroCards to swipe other riders through the turnstiles for free as a way to protest fare hikes. The action is legal.

The campaign's website says: "If you use your unlimited card to swipe someone else in, then

you're effectively helping them boycott the

fare hike."

Campaigners are broadcasting their message via fliers and Twitter. They are also handing out "swipe back!" buttons.

MTA fare hikes went into effect this past weekend. The fare for a single subway or bus ride went up from \$2.25 to \$2.50 on Sunday. An unlimited MetroCard is now \$112.

● LAURA SHIN

President Obama calls lawmakers over cuts; no resolution in sight

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► Two competing bills aimed at averting huge spending cuts failed in the U.S. Senate.

President Barack Obama has reached out to Republican and Democratic lawmakers in search of a resolution to automatic across-the-board government spending cuts, a White House official said yesterday, but Republican congressional leaders offered little hope for a quick solution.

House of Representatives Speaker John Boehner, the top Republican in Congress, and Mitch McConnell, the Senate Republican leader, both expressed confidence that there would not be a government shutdown at the end of the month amid the showdown with Obama over federal spending.

"I don't think anyone quite understands how it

Quoted

"It's time for the president and Senate Democrats to get serious about the long-term spending problem that we have."

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gets resolved," Boehner said on the NBC program "Meet the Press" as he put the blame squarely on Obama and his fellow Democrats.

Obama late on Friday formally ordered broad cuts in government spending after he and congressional Republicans failed

to reach a deal to avert the automatic reductions that could dampen economic growth and curb military readiness.

Government agencies will begin to cut a total of \$85 billion from their budgets from now through Sept. 30 under automatic reductions known as "sequestration."

Half of the cuts will fall on the Pentagon.

Gene Sperling, director of the White House National Economic Council, said Obama spoke on Saturday afternoon with a select group of lawmakers to try to find a path out of the current fiscal crisis — a "bipartisan compromise."

He did not identify the lawmakers to whom Obama spoke. **REUTERS**

In the news

Women deserve bigger role in church, say key cardinals

VATICAN CITY. The Roman Catholic Church must open itself up to women in the next pontificate, giving them more leadership positions in the Vatican and beyond, according to a senior cardinal who will be influential in electing the next pope. In an exclusive interview with Reuters, Cardinal Leonardo Sandri, 69, an Argentine, also said the next pope should not be



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chosen according to a geographic area but must be a "saintly man" qualified to lead the church in a time of crisis. At present, women, most of them nuns, can only reach the position of undersecretary in Vatican departments, the No. 3 post after president and secretary, which so far have been held by ordained men. Currently only two women are undersecretaries, one a nun and one a laywoman. **REUTERS**

Fla. home razed where sinkhole claimed man

SEFFNER, FLA. A wrecking crew on Sunday partly razed a Florida house where a sinkhole had swallowed up a man as he slept, but the demolition team went about its job as carefully as possible to preserve the home's contents for survivors.

Rescue workers had given up the search for Jeff Bush, a 37-year-old landscaper, on Saturday. He was presumed dead after disappearing into the hole, which opened up under his bedroom Thursday night. Sinkholes are common in Florida due to the state's geology. **REUTERS**



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▶ A Falcon 9 rocket launches.

SpaceX cargo reaches station

A SpaceX Dragon cargo capsule overcame a potentially mission-ending technical problem to make a belated but welcome arrival at the International Space Station yesterday.

Astronauts aboard the outpost used the station's robotic arm to pluck the capsule from orbit at 5:31 a.m. EST as the ships sailed 250 miles over northern Ukraine.

Flight controllers at NASA's Mission Control in Houston then stepped in to drive the capsule to its berthing port on the station's Harmony connecting node. Docking

occurred at 8:44 a.m.

The Dragon capsule, loaded with more than 2,300 pounds of science equipment, spare parts, food and supplies, blasted off from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida on Friday aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket for the second of 12 planned supply runs for NASA.

SpaceX is the first private company to fly to the station. **REUTERS**

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The station is a \$100 billion project of 15 nations.

Weird Science

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Justin has produced a chalk animation video to accompany this column. View it at www.metro.us/weirdscience.

A TRUE STORY UNFOLDS

Amazing things are about to happen in the next 60 seconds while you read this column. Global weather monitors, like those at the University of Washington, reveal that lightning streaks through Earth's skies around 100 times a second, or 6,000 times a minute.

A smaller, more complex electrical storm is closer than you think. Behind your eyes, electricity is shooting between billions of neurons. The 3-pound mass of electrified cells is aware of its own existence even though it doesn't understand how.

According to the United States census, more than 7 billion of these electrical networks, like the one above your shoulders, are alive today. Around one-third are dreaming. Over the next minute, millions of intense and unique alternate realities will be created and experienced behind closed eyes.

Using the Population Reference Bureau's yearly birth and death records, 60 seconds from now, approximately 108 people will take their last breath on Earth, while 267 newborns will take their first. Each breath connects you to the globe. EarthSky.org describes a surprising source of oxygen: "Tiny ocean

plants called phytoplankton contribute between 50 to 85 percent of the oxygen in Earth's atmosphere." Therefore a byproduct of ocean creatures is flowing through your bloodstream right now.

Meanwhile, your cells are performing incredibly complex movements. For example, a type of biological machine, called a kinesin, tows required materials to different parts of a cell. Medical animator David Bolinsky describes the invisible movement, saying, "Each of us has about 100,000 of these things running around right now inside each one of your 100 trillion cells." While every cell is a moving biological orchestra, your body as a whole is also traveling.

Derived using NASA's figures, in the last 60 seconds, you moved approximately 12 miles just from living on a rotating planet. You traveled more than 1,000 miles around the sun and 7,000 miles around the galaxy's core, which is slightly less than the width of Earth.

So the next time everything appears to stand still, remember every minute contains life, death and lightning within a massive network of balanced complexity. The world is not what it seems.

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Netanyahu says Iran using nuclear talks to 'buy time' for bomb

Renewed international efforts to negotiate curbs on Iran's disputed nuclear program have backfired by giving the country more time to work on building a bomb, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said yesterday.

His remarks on the inconclusive Feb. 26-27 meeting between Iran and six world powers signaled impatience by Israel, which has threatened to launch preemptive war on its arch-foe, possibly in the coming months, if it deems diplomacy a dead end.

Senior U.S. diplomat Wendy Sherman flew in to brief Israel about the Kazakh-hosted talks, in which Tehran, which denies seeking nuclear arms, was offered modest relief from sanctions in return for halting mid-level uranium enrichment.

There was no breakthrough. The sides will reconvene in Almaty on April 5 and 6 after holding



► Netanyahu has set a mid-2013 "red line" for denying the Islamic republic the fuel needed for a first bomb.

3,000

Iranian media reported the country was building around 3,000 new advanced enrichment centrifuges, a development that could accelerate the nuclear project.

technical talks in Istanbul.

"My impression from these talks is that the only

thing that is gained from them is a buying of time, and through this time-buying Iran intends to continue enriching nuclear material for an atomic bomb and is indeed getting closer to this goal," Netanyahu told his cabinet in remarks aired by Israeli media.

Extrapolating from U.N. reports on Iran's enrichment of uranium to 20-percent fissile purity, a short technical step from weapons-grade. **REUTERS**

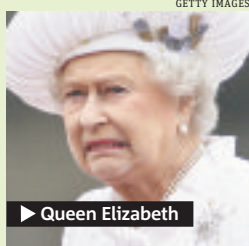
News in brief

Britain's Queen Elizabeth in hospital with stomach bug

LONDON. Britain's Queen Elizabeth was hospitalized in London yesterday with symptoms of gastroenteritis, a Buckingham Palace spokesman said.

The 86-year-old monarch first developed symptoms of the stomach bug on Friday, and the decision to take her to the hospital was a precautionary measure. She was in good spirits and her condition was not deteriorating, the palace spokesman said.

All the queen's engagements for the coming week, including a trip to Italy scheduled for March 6 and 7, have been canceled or postponed. It is unusual for the monarch, who is diligent in carrying out her



► Queen Elizabeth

royal duties, to cancel any engagements. **REUTERS**

Bomb at Shi'ite mosque kills 45 in Pakistan

KARACHI. A suspected suicide bomber attacked Shi'ite Muslims as they were leaving a mosque in Pakistan's commercial capital yesterday, killing at least 45 people, in another signal Sunni militants are escalating sectarian attacks.

"It's like doomsday to me. I was watching television when I heard an explosion and my flat was badly shaken," said Mariam Bibi.

Senior city official Hashim Raza said at least



► Damage from blast

45 people had been killed and 149 wounded in the blast in Pakistan's biggest city. **REUTERS**

Retrial of Egypt's Mubarak and sons April 13

CAIRO. The retrial of ousted leader Hosni Mubarak, his sons and top aides will begin next month, an Egyptian court said yesterday, ordering the politically fraught hearings over the killing of protesters to start just nine days before elections.

Mubarak was jailed for life for ordering the killing of demonstrators, but granted a retrial by a Cairo court in January. **REUTERS**

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Winner picked for Metro's 'I Beliebe in Love' contest

Fans from all over the world entered Metro's two-week "I Beliebe in Love" contest for a chance to meet Justin Bieber. But it was 15-year-old Valeria Viteri, from Chiclayo, Peru, who captured our Global Jury's attention (check out the festive balloons and candlelit dinner in her entry — as well as those pink libations) and got the most votes (an impressive 9,022!). Viteri, pictured here, will have a



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once-in-a-lifetime VIP experience during Bieber's "Believe" tour in Europe and will even get to meet the pop star.

"I hope I don't get starstruck and freeze when I see him," the excited winner said (she screamed in her Justin-Bieber-photo filled room when Metro called her with the good news). "I am very excited, but nervous at the same time. He is my idol." ● **METRO**

The winning photo: A Bieber party

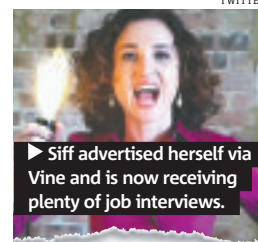
"I browsed some Internet pages with my friends, looking for ideas. At first I wanted to do it in a park,

but couldn't find an ideal location. Then I realized none of the pictures that had been uploaded for the competition had balloons in them. So I decided to have the picture taken in my room,

surrounded by balloons with ribbons and photos hanging from them," she recalls. "I put a blue candle on the table and another pink one, and served chocolate, ice-cream and cake."

How to make the perfect Vine

Have you heard about Vine, Twitter's new six-second videos? The short nature of the Vines has led to some creative endeavors, including panoramic views of beautiful locations, stop-motion animation and, of course, cat videos. To master the medium, we talked to some expert users.



► Siff advertised herself via Vine and is now receiving plenty of job interviews.

► Understand the app

To make the perfect Vine, you're going to need to play around with it. Dawn Siff, who posted what is believed to be the first job résumé on Vine (<http://goo.gl/rf5sp>) filmed non-serious subjects like baking heart-shaped cookies for Valentine's Day before she made her viral video.

Two things she quickly noticed were that she had to film it on her own device for it to publish on her account and, more importantly, each video had to be published right after it was filmed. This meant there was no saving each take so she could compare it to another version she made later.

Personal style

Radosevich believes that you should show your personality.

► "People don't often get to see a fun/silly side of you from pictures on your blog, so show them how personable you can be," she said. One way to do that is to give people a look at your surroundings if you are in an interesting place. Radosevich suggested that short snippets of what's going on can be much more intriguing than a few snapshots.

"There's no draft queue," she said. "There are all of these limitations

I suspect will be tweaked later on Vine." Once she figured it out, her Vine went international, seen as far away as Australia, resulting in job interviews.

► Make a quality product

If you want to have a quality video featuring yourself, ask a buddy.

"If you are trying to film yourself, you really need to have somebody else shooting it for you," Siff emphasized.

Jenni Radosevich from I Spy DIY, who shot some notable Vines during New York Fashion Week (<https://vine.co/v/bruBdqtUVD2>), pointed out that you should be aware of the sounds around you.

"Play a song in the background without words if you want a soundtrack so it does not sound choppy when making cuts," she suggested.

Both emphasized that lighting is key. Siff experimented with different lightings and iPhone camera lenses before coming up with the final look.

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Families rely on federal and private student loans to pay for college

American families are failing to reach their educational goals as short-term budget needs and emergency savings take priority in the household budget, according to "How America Saves for College," a closely watched study released from the education lender Sallie Mae.

Families said they are relying on federal and private student loans to fund college costs, according to the study, which polled 1,600 households in August 2012.

Families currently saving for college expect to sock away an average \$38,953 by the time their child is ready to enter school. But according to their savings behavior, families will probably only

55%

Parents have limited knowledge about financial instruments such as 529 plans and Coverdell education savings accounts, which produce tax-free earnings as long as withdrawals are used for qualified education expenses. Of those polled in the study, 55 percent said they had never heard of 529 savings plans.

save an estimated \$19,784, about half of their goal, according to Sallie Mae. (Sallie Mae estimates the cost of private four-year college to be \$203,114 five

years from now.)

The annual estimated cost of tuition, room and board for college jumped by 84 percent at four-year public institutions between 2000 and 2010, to \$15,918. Costs for private institutions rose 49 percent to \$32,617 during the same period, according to the National Center for Education Statistics.

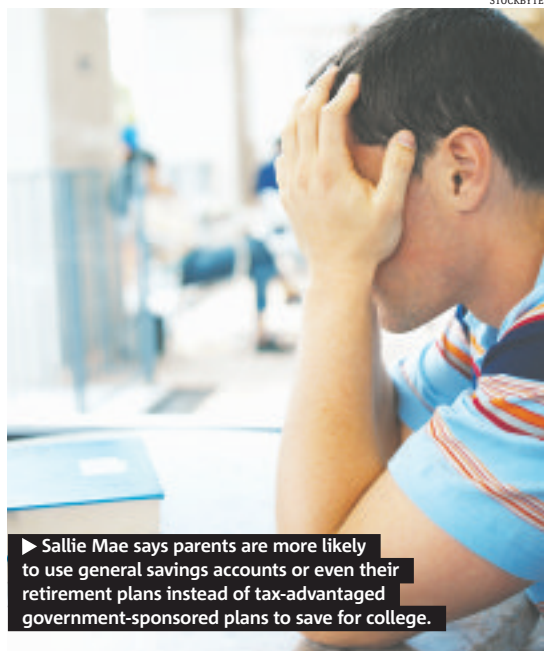
Sallie Mae, which administers 529 plans in 16 states, says parents are more likely to use general savings accounts or even their retirement plans instead of tax-advantaged government-sponsored plans to save for college.

Even so, personal savings have declined in the years following the recession, dropping to 3.7 per-

cent in the third quarter of 2012 from 5.1 percent in 2010. This means that the large number of families — 68 percent — who consider higher education to be a valuable investment for their kids are relying on reduced savings.

In the last academic year, 61 percent of students received one or more grants or scholarships that covered 29 percent of total costs. The remainder was paid with savings and loans taken out by students and parents.

As the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau looks into the repayment landscape among the nation's private student loans, transparency is a top priority in Washington. **REUTERS**



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What Sallie says

Sallie Mae, the largest student lender in the United States, encourages families to start making interest payments in school to prevent loans from growing larger after

graduation. Half of the families surveyed are currently taking this advice.

► "We don't want any surprises," says Sarah Ducich, senior vice president of public policy for Sallie Mae. "Surprised borrowers are not good for us."

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Should schools teach students how to code? Viral video suggests yes



► Drew Houston is the founder of Dropbox. He appears in a viral video about the importance of teaching programming in schools.



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In the grand tradition of science fiction, it is time we accepted it — computers have taken over. So says Bronwen Grimes, a technical artist at Valve.com and one of the many young entrepreneurs featured in a video in support of programming curriculum in schools by the nonprofit Code.org. The video has gone viral, reaching nearly 7 million views in less than a week.

"Computers are everywhere," Grimes says. "You want to work in agriculture, entertainment, manufacturing — it's just all over."

The video taps some big forces in software engineering — Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg and Drew Houston — alongside bold-face names from outside of the computerverse, like singer will.i.am and basketball star Chris Bosh. They make the case that programming helped them learn how to problem solve and that anyone can do it.

Professor Lev Manovich teaches computer science at the CUNY Graduate Center and writes about technology and culture. He says that countries like China are getting ahead of the United States by teach-

ing programming in high school. "I think we need to take a larger and more expansive view that coding is not just the only thing you need to know. It's one element and there's a difference between writing a program that has five lines and learning how Gmail works — a program with 5 million lines of code," he says.

The film is set to show in movie theaters this week. A curriculum that includes computer programming, however, has yet to go viral.

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JIMMY FALLON: NICE GUYS FINISH FIRST?



► Do NBC execs want to drop "The Tonight Show" host Jay Leno, left, and replace him with Jimmy Fallon? Wait, haven't we been through this?

Will this season be **Jay Leno's** last?

According to the Hollywood Reporter, it's all but guaranteed. Two "high-level industry" sources tell the mag that NBC is going to replace Leno with **Jimmy Fallon** as host of "The Tonight Show" in a bid to get

younger viewers.

Leno, who signed a contract through 2014, could be replaced at the 11:35 p.m. time slot by Fallon by this summer, possibly leading up to yet another awkward late-night shuffle.

The reason for the move? **Jimmy Kimmel's** impressive audience since he

was moved to the same time slot by ABC in January. "The more time Jimmy Kimmel is in that slot, the more the young audience goes that way, the harder it is for Jimmy [Fallon] to keep that audience," says a source.

Another situation? If Dave Letterman retires

next year, which he has been hinting toward, there is a chance CBS could try to steal Fallon. For its part, NBC denies the report.

And where is poor, poor **Conan O'Brien** in all this? Hopefully somewhere updating his LinkedIn profile through his tears.

A bad birthday for Bieber

Justin Bieber's 19th birthday didn't go so swell Friday, leading the Canadian pop star to tweet a simple, "worst birthday." And while many of his fans quickly leapt to the conclusion that the paparazzi were responsible for his dejection, it reportedly had more to do with the security at London's Cirque du Soir nightclub, who wouldn't let some of his entourage in because they couldn't prove they were older than 18, according to E! News. The club is eager to stay friends with Bieber, though, despite the kerfuffle. "Justin Bieber visits Cirque Du Soir regularly — and he and his friends are always welcome, as long as the members of the group are legally old enough to enter the club," a club spokesman explains.



Bieber

Talking points

Lohan's lawyer gets drubbing

Lindsay Lohan appears to be living it up as much as she can in advance of her March 18 trial — and even skipped out on the latest court appearance related to the case to stay in New York and go clubbing instead, according to Us Weekly. Maybe she knows it doesn't look too good for her this time around when it comes to avoiding jail time, especially considering the drubbing

her new lawyer, **Mark Heller**, has been getting from Judge **James Dabney**. After dismissing Heller's motions to have the case put on a "slow track," Dabney cautioned that Heller would need someone by his side versed in California law or "Miss Lohan is going to have to come in here and waive her right to have competent attorneys versed in California law and procedure."

Rihanna wants Chris Brown's baby

Rihanna claims that things



► Rihanna

are working better now with on-again, off-again boyfriend **Chris Brown** because they've grown up a lot in the four years since his arrest for assaulting her.

The singer insists to Elle UK that they have "a great friendship that's unbreakable." "Now that we're adults, we can do this right. We got a fresh start, and I'm thankful for that," she says. Rihanna even predicts that she will "probably have a kid" within the next five years.

Schwarzenegger is looking for a new job

With his latest starring role in an action film, "The Last Stand," flopping at the box office, it may come as no surprise that **Arnold**

Schwarzenegger is looking at new avenues of employment. Coincidentally, the former California governor has recently signed on to be executive editor of Muscle & Fitness and Flex magazines, two bodybuilding titles. "It was in these magazines that I found the spark that inspired me to start lifting weights and eventually move to America and realize my dreams, and I'm proud to return as executive editor," Schwarzenegger says. Over the course of his career, he has been featured on the covers of the two magazines more than 60 times.



The feed ...

► Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Roseanne Barr doesn't seem too optimistic about her next presidential bid, Niall Horan is resting up, Jim Carrey is feeling trapped and Seth MacFarlane smells a hit.

► **TheRealRoseanne** note to americans: if you want to vote for me in 2016-u need to make sure I am on the ballot in your state-educate ourselves-it's impossible

► **NiallOfficial** Gona get a power nap now! #preshowsleep

► **JimCarrey** Vegas has everything except a hotel window you can open. Not gonna lie, being forced to breath super dry central air freaks me out a bit.

► **SethMacFarlane** Ex-Pope. New Pope. Roommates. NBC. Thursday nights. Get there.



Roseanne Barr

Rendezvous at Roissy

Apparently all the celebs flew in and out of France this weekend.

1: Kirsten Dunst is either a natural beauty or has an amazing makeup artist. The actress was spotted at Roissy yesterday.

2: Kim Kardashian decorated that other famous bump of hers in an all-



white ensemble yesterday at the airport.

3: No assistant needed! Milla Jovovich wheeled her luggage yesterday.

1, 2, 3: MARC PIASECKI/WIREIMAGE



Where the stars were

1: Leonardo DiCaprio gave a wave next to a giant cutout of his likeness at a Tokyo press conference for "Django Unchained" on Saturday.

2: He looks so much happier when he's not overseeing the drug trade: Giancarlo Esposito was at the Paley Center for Media's PaleyFest

2013 honoring "Revolution" on Saturday in Beverly Hills.

3: Sporty gets stylish! Melanie Chisholm, aka Sporty Spice of the Spice Girls, attended the Tesco Mum of the Year awards yesterday in London.

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► From left: Ewan McGregor, Eleanor Tomlinson and Nicholas Hoult star in in "Jack the Giant Slayer," which not many of you saw this weekend.

Almost a 'Giant' flop

Box office

"Jack the Giant Slayer," the first big-budget action film of the year, was anything but a killer at the weekend box office.

"Jack," a retelling of the "Jack and the Beanstalk" fairy tale, earned the No. 1 spot on domestic box of-

fice charts, with \$28 million in ticket sales in U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to studio estimates compiled by Reuters on Sunday. But that was an underwhelming start for a 3-D movie that cost \$189 million to produce, plus tens of millions more to market.

"Jack the Giant Slayer" also grossed \$13.7 million from 1,824 screens in 10

Asian markets.

Comedy "Identity Thief" took in \$9.7 million to capture second place, and new adult comedy "21 and Over" finished in third place on domestic charts, with \$9 million in ticket sales from Friday through Sunday.

Low-budget horror sequel "The Last Exorcism Part II" took the No. 4 slot, with \$8 million, according

to studio estimates.

Rounding out the top five films was "Snitch," which brought in \$7.7 million.

Another new release, "Phantom," failed to finish in the 10 highest-performing films. The movie stars Ed Harris and David Duchovny in the story of a Soviet submarine captain leading a secret mission..

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Top 5 earners

The top-grossing movies at the theater for the weekend of March 1-3:

1. "Jack the Giant

Slayer," \$28 million

2. "Identity Thief,"

\$9.7 million

3. "21 and Over,"

\$9 million

4. "The Last Exorcism

Part II," \$8 million

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► Park Chan-wook's "Stoker" is in theaters now.

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Coming to America

► 'Stoker' director Park Chan-wook discusses why he left South Korea for America ► How the violence is less disgusting than in previous works ► On tailoring his film for teenage girls

South Korean filmmaker Park Chan-wook has been a staple of foreign genre cinema since 2000's border action film "Joint Security Area." But he's still best known for his "Vengeance Trilogy," comprising "Sympathy For Mr. Vengeance," "Sympathy for Lady Vengeance" and its centerpiece, "Oldboy," famous for both its hallway hammer fight barnstormer and a scene where its lead slurps up a live octopus. Park makes a perhaps belated debut in America, but he does it his way: "Stoker," starring Mia Wasikowska, Matthew Goode and Nicole Kidman, is a stylish Gothic thriller about family secrets, outre sexuality and serial killing.

What made you want to make a film in America?

It took me 10 years to make [my previous film] "Thirst," from the very inception to finish. After that, I had done all the films I wanted to do. I felt I was in need of a turning point in my career. I was on the lookout for a good

Little violence

There's very little violence in "Stoker." Was that a response to your reputation as a maker of violent films — which aren't, it should be noted, even that graphic?

► It wasn't a function of me pulling any punches. What sparked my inter-

script, and this was just a case of good timing.

It seems like the script, though not by you, shares a lot with your previous work.

There are many ways to link this to my previous work — but when I first came across the script, I noticed the characters were different [from my previous films]. They don't seem to have much in the way of ethical dilemmas, whereas the characters in my other films are wrought with dilemma. In "Stoker," the characters don't seem to have any sense of guilt. But actually it's not that

est in this script was that my daughter was the same age as the protagonist here. I wanted to make a film that girls the same age as India [the lead character] would come to see. Anything that came across as overly disgusting just wouldn't do. I simply wanted to make an elegant and beautiful film [that] girls the same age as India would enjoy.

they don't have any dilemmas or sense of guilt — they're just better at hiding them.

What's it like working in the U.S. versus South Korea?

The presence of the studio is stronger here. There's a greater exchange of ideas and opinions. I found myself having to explain why I wanted certain things to be a certain way. The sheer volume of opinions is something I wasn't used to. I found it to be quite arduous. But in the end, it proved very productive.

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9 p.m., Bravo

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11 p.m., Showtime

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► Venus Nicolino, Gregory Cason and Eris Huemer star in the new Bravo reality show "LA Shrinks."

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8 p.m., Bravo

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► What if you could rewrite your past? ► That's the key premise explored in the latest from Jesse Eisenberg, playwright and lead



► Vanessa Redgrave, left, stars alongside Jesse Eisenberg in "The Revisionist," now extended through April 21.

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Scrawny and self-centered, David (Jesse Eisenberg, who's also the playwright) arrives at the cramped flat of his elderly second cousin Maria (Vanessa Redgrave) in Szczecin, Poland, with a chip on his shoulder and a yen for a quick hit of weed. He takes away with door closed and window open in Eisenberg's beautifully crafted "The Revisionist" at the Cherry Lane. David traveled to Poland to end his writer's block, believing, or at least hoping, that a less comfortable landscape would set his creative juices free.

But we soon see he is almost as indifferent to the hard work of writing as he is to his cousin's feelings. In contrast, Maria seems uncomplicated. With no family in Poland, she's thrilled with her houseguest — but not afraid to put him in his place when appropriate.

One night David breaks out the vodka and convinces Maria, who never drinks, to join him. We learn that David is not the only one with secrets.

But some things are best left unsaid — at least that's what Maria thinks, come the morning after.

"The Revisionist" draws its considerable emotional clout from its characters' ability to rewrite their own histories. Skillfully played by both leads, they deceive themselves as much as they deceive each other. We take David's self-involvement and Maria's blend of strength and vulnerability at face value, but there's more there than meets the eye. Maria's implacable survival instincts surprise us with their intensity — even as they leave her lonely and proud.

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▶ Working from home can be a dealbreaker for some parents — at Yahoo!, the jig is up.

The discussion of Yahoo! CEO Marissa Mayer's recent decision to ban telecommuting at her company has moved far beyond the water cooler, to business journals and blogs alike.

Founder of Virgin

Group, Richard Branson, tweeted and blogged his criticism of Mayer's ban last week while reporters for The Atlantic and Forbes have more or less commended the tough call.

Bill Treasurer is the owner of Giant Leap

Consulting, a company that specializes in leadership development through strategy and planning. He reminds us that Mayer's vision was what propelled her to CEO in the first place — making unpopular decisions is part of the game.

"Ms. Mayer comes from a larger, more innovative and more successful company: Google," says Treasurer. "She was hired to bring in practices that work, not practices that make people comfortable. Leadership is about moving people into discomfort, because that's where growth happens."

David Fagiano, COO of the Dale Carnegie career training center, says Mayer's decision was a good call.

"We advocate working in an office and believe that some of the best ideas and results are fostered

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A bold move, but is it a good one?

It's difficult to say just yet if a complete ban is the best move for Yahoo! In a world that is, as Virgin's founder Richard Branson says, "connected," it's

within a workplace where employees work side-by-side — or even at the water cooler in a more casual conversation," says Fagiano. "The natural interaction between co-workers sparks creative ideas, which in the end can help a company flourish."

Of course, we can't overlook employee morale. It's easy to imagine the workers who are not pleased about this. Take, for example, people who have an exhausting

commute or work-from-home parents.

"There is an inherent irony to Mayer's decision," explains workplace psychologist Dr. Tasha Eurich. Mayer is denying her company a privilege many workers relish, which may result in disgruntled — and therefore less effective — workers.

"One of the most basic human needs is to have control over our universe — this is deeply engrained in our DNA," says Eurich. "Making the decision to take something away from employees that they previously had control over will likely result in resentment of the organization."

Eurich notes that this is especially true given that telecommuting can actually improve productivity for some employees.

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Caught between adult children and aging parents

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If you are codependent, you're in good company — many people demonstrate some degree of codependency, especially if you grew up in a dysfunctional family, which many people do. The good news is that codependency need not be a chronic condition. With a little awareness, you can start to develop new habits and breathe a bit easier.

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The question

I'm 45 and I'm going through a difficult period in my life now. I'm having trouble controlling my adult daughter and dealing with aging parents, and I feel like I'm making my husband unhappy. Whatever I do seems wrong. Any suggestions?

care of herself, she is an adult and, by definition, responsible for her own life. Whether or not you approve of her life choices, they are hers to make and

learn from, even if she falls. Letting go and setting boundaries can be one of the most difficult but important acts of love a parent can do. It communicates a subtle trust in the adult child's abilities to make decisions.

Regarding your parents: While it may not be easy, you're not alone. According to recent statistics, more than 48 million Americans are currently caring for aging parents. And it is stressful. If you are feeling overly responsible, try to share responsibilities with other family members and utilize community resources. I suggest visiting the Administration on Aging's website (www.aoa.gov) for information about services in your area.

Relationships with significant others (like your husband) is where codependency can be most in-

sidious. There isn't enough space in my column to do this justice so I'll try to summarize. We are responsible for our own feelings. No one can strong-arm you into feeling joy. Yes, our actions have consequences on our relationships. But how others respond to and interpret our behavior is their choice, just as how we respond to their behavior is ours.

Finally, and most importantly, is the relationship with yourself. Take time to nurture yourself and reflect on how excessive people-pleasing and care-taking deplete you. Ask yourself questions like, "What do I want?"



and "How do you I feel [about such and such]?" Since self-neglecting behaviors are often rooted in our families, consulting a therapist or attending a free Codependents Anonymous meeting may help (www.coda.org).

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Women who get a little more than the recommended daily amount of iron in their diets may be less likely to get a more severe form of premenstrual syndrome, according to a new study.

Researchers followed about 3,000 women over 10 years and found that those who consumed more than 20 milligrams per day of iron were 30 to 40 percent less likely to develop PMS than women who got less of the mineral.

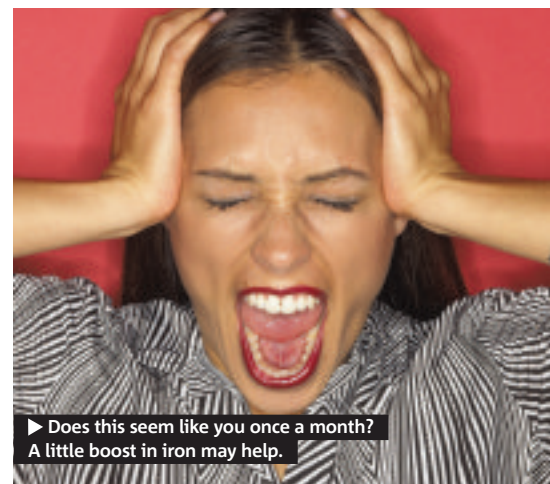
"Most previous studies of PMS have focused on effective treatments and factors that differ between

women who have PMS and those who don't," says Elizabeth Bertone-Johnson, the study's lead author from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. "We were interested in looking further at some specific minerals."

For the new study, the researchers limited their analysis to PMS in which symptoms such as breast tenderness, bloating, depression and anxiety are so severe they "substantially impair life activities and social relationships."

That type of PMS affects between 8 and 15 percent of U.S. women, they write in the American Journal of Epidemiology.

The study is based on data from a study of U.S. nurses who were between the ages of 25 and 42 in 1989, and it focuses on 3,025 women who did not



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have PMS in 1991.

Each woman completed three food questionnaires sent to them over the next 10 years, which asked how often they were eating 131 different types of foods and supplements.

The researchers then compared the diets of the 1,057 women who went on to develop severe PMS during the study period to the diets of the 1,968 women who did not.

Overall, eating a diet that provided about 22 milligrams of iron every day was linked to a 33 per-

cent decrease in a woman's risk of developing PMS, compared to the women who ate the least amount of iron — about 10 milligrams.

Those 22 milligrams are a little more than the 18 milligrams of iron per day that's recommended for adult women, according to the researchers.

The researchers suspect the mineral may have something to do with the production of serotonin, a molecule that plays a role in many processes in the body and brain. **REUTERS**

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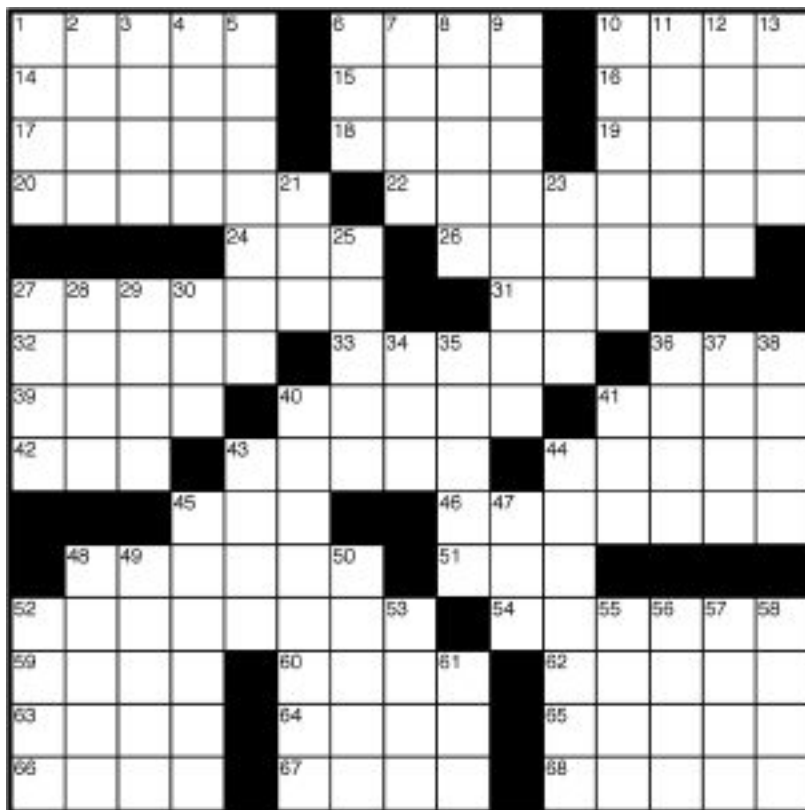
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♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Help isn't likely to be forthcoming, so don't depend on others to do things for you. The more you take on yourself, the more you'll get done.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Even if you're usually good at handling money, this is not likely to be the case at present. You may be too tightfisted for your own good.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Try to avoid discussing topics that could cause a fight, especially with another whose views dif-

fer radically from yours. You won't have much patience for argument.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Upon occasion, you can deprive yourself of some useful information — all because you don't like the person who knows it. Don't allow something petty to make your life harder than necessary.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Take with a grain of salt any proposal that offers you something for nothing. Somebody might end up ahead, but you can bet your bottom dollar it won't be you.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Unless you're extremely careful, you could easily add fuel to an already smoldering domestic issue. The slightest thing you say could set off a conflagration.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** The one thing you can never afford to be is gullible about your commercial dealings. Before making any disclosures whatsoever, insist upon verification of what is promised.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Under no condition should you run your financial affairs predicated upon anticipated returns. The only cash you can count on is what you have in hand.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** There is nothing wrong with having a good opinion of yourself, but allow the praise for your achievements to come from the lips of others.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** In conversations with friends or associates, they're likely to learn more from you than you will from them. Listen hard,

and try not to give away too much.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** New complications could arise if you poke your nose into places where you're not invited. This will only alienate you from others.

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Letters

Animals have intrinsic value

RE: "THE WILD CALLED: IT WANTS YOUR CAT" (METRO, MARCH 1-3) It is truly alarming how many people think animals are soulless. Humans are simply another species of animal. Humans are the only animals capable of reason or advanced thought, and thus they are the only animals capable of acting on thought rather than instinct.

This gives humans an inherent responsibility to behave ethically toward all other beings.

This also means humans are the only animals capable of being at fault, since thought can be controlled — instinct is natural.

JOHN SCULLANE, VIA E-MAIL

After reading letter writer George Johnson's letter, I felt a pain in my heart. It's a shame that some people see the dark side of dogs because the reality is quite different.

Dogs are loving creatures, and mean dogs only come at the hands of human abuse or neglect. As for being useless, this is far from true. Sniffer dogs work at airports as an effective form of security keeping everyone safe. There are also service

dogs that provide a variety of services, such as giving blind people a pair of eyes. Dogs don't replace kids, but they are a wonderful and loving addition to a family. I think all dog owners can agree with me when I say that it is priceless when a dog greets you after a bad day.

So here's my advice to you: Get a dog and love it, and once it loves you back you will realize that it can never just be replaced.

MYLES AGUDELO, VIA E-MAIL

Not wanting to kiss a guy doesn't make one homophobic

RE: "MILES TELLER: WILL NOT KISS A MAN HAPPILY" (METRO, MARCH 1-3) Miles Teller doesn't want to lock his lips against another man's, and you call him homophobic? I call you clueless.

Homophobia is hatred of gays, it is denying gays their basic human rights. It is decidedly NOT a dislike of performing homosexual acts by a heterosexual, whether real or acting.

I support gay marriage, and one of my daughters is a lesbian, but I suppose you will call me homophobic when I tell you that I'm turned off by the thought of buggery. Get a clue, please, Dorothy.

JOSEF BOBICK, VIA E-MAIL

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Sports in brief

Ichiro unhurt after car crash

MLB. Yankees outfielder Ichiro Suzuki was uninjured after totaling his SUV in a car accident in Tampa, Fla. on Saturday afternoon.



Ichiro was cut off by a driver making an illegal turn three miles from Steinbrenner Field, according to police. The other driver was given a summons for the accident.

Ichiro made the trip to yesterday's spring training game against Boston but did not play.

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Santana back to throwing after criticism

MLB. Johan Santana does not take kindly to being called out-of-shape.

The Mets ace threw his first bullpen session — albeit not at max effort — since Feb. 19 yesterday, one day after GM Sandy Alderson hinted the team wasn't happy with the pitcher's fitness level entering camp. Santana would not talk to reporters after the session.

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In the news



Blackhawks extend record

Chicago took it to the final minutes, but they extended their season-opening points record to 22 games.

Patrick Kane scored a power play goal with 2:02 left in regulation to force overtime. They'd win 2-1 in a shootout.

SLIPPING AWAY

► Knicks choke away big first-half lead in loss to Heat ► But the chance to win East is sliding away ► James shows who's boss

NATHANIEL S. BUTLER/NBAE/GETTY IMAGES

The Knicks entered yesterday's matinee with the Heat feeling confident they could close the 6 1/2-game gap in the Eastern Conference. But judging by their crushing 99-93 loss — a defeat featuring a blown 16-point lead — maybe that was just wishful thinking.

"I thought this was a very winnable game," said Knicks center Tyson Chandler. "I walk out of this building thinking that we let one go."

The Knicks (35-21) had a lead as large as 16 points in the first half, but the Heat used a 28-18 advantage in the third quarter to claw their way back into the game. Shane Battier gave the Heat their first lead since 30-29 in the second quarter when he drilled his fourth 3-pointer for the 82-81 lead.

The game was nip-and-tuck for the remainder of regulation. But ultimately it was Miami's stingy defense (they allowed just 16 points in the fourth quarter), untimely miscues from the Knicks (two costly J.R. Smith turnovers and a bevy of



► LeBron James went for 29 points, 11 rebounds and seven assists as the Heat extended their team-record winning streak to 14 games.

Quoted

"We only played one half and you have to play two. ... I think we knew what was at stake — we just didn't close out."

MIKE WOODSON, KNICKS COACH

ill-advised shots) and timely buckets from LeBron James and Chris Bosh, which give them the win.

After New York won the first two meetings between the teams this year, James added that the game was just as important to Miami as it was to New York, mostly to show their rival their place in the pecking order.

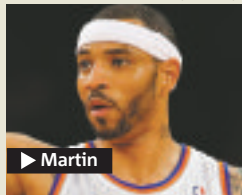
"We came out with a sense of urgency, especially in the second half. We just continued to fight," James said. "It's good to get wins like this, just knowing that we can go out and compete against one of the best teams in the East at a tough venue like the Garden."



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Martin signs second contract

Knicks forward Kenyon Martin was re-signed, as expected, to his second 10-day contract, head coach Mike Woodson



► Martin

said yesterday.

Martin had yet to tally a single statistic, and had played just five minutes in one appearance in his first three games with the team. He didn't play against the Heat yesterday.

day either.

But having not played since the end of last season, the Knicks were expected to give Martin time to work his way back into playing shape and the lineup. ● METRO

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